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Our Case No. 09799940-0010**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

James M. Cleeves

Serial No. 08/581,347

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For Wafer Temperature Control
Apparatus and Method

Appeal No. 2003-1081

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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 1.136(B)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully request a two-month extension of time to submit a showing of facts in response to a new ground of rejections entered under 37 CFR § 1.196(b). Applicants reasons for requesting this extension of time are set forth below.

REMARKS

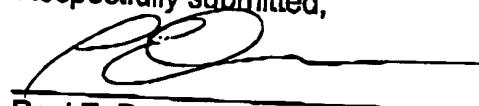
Applicants are preparing to set forth facts to demonstrate that the claims meet the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. In order to do this, Applicants must first locate an appropriate person of ordinary skill in the art, interview this person, and then prepare a Declaration under 37 CFR § 1.132. Applicants also note that there was some delay in receiving the decision from the Board of Patent Appeals and

Interferences, as the previous law firm's address was used by the Patent Office (a Change of Correspondence Address was filed on May 7, 2003).

Applicants submit that two months is a reasonable amount of time to carry out the actions set forth above. Applicants respectfully request that this extension of time be granted.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-3140. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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